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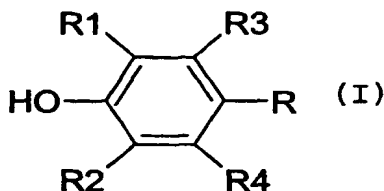
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(57) Abstract: An anti-acne composition for topical application comprises:(i) from 0.01 % to 20 % by weight of a compound of formula (I), wherein: R1, R2, R3 and R4 are the same or different and are selected from H, OH, and OCH<sub>3</sub>; and R is alkyl containing from 1 to 20 carbon atoms; the compound of formula (I) optionally being in the form of an ester with a carboxylic acid comprising an alkyl group containing from 1 to 6 carbon atoms;(ii) between 0.1 % and 20 % by weight of at least one further anti-acne agent ;(iii) from 0% to 30% by weight of at least one surfactant; and (iv) topically acceptable diluent or carrier.